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[*on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/61/592)*]

61/21. Renovation of the residence of the Secretary-General

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Renovation of the residence of the Secretary-General: revised estimates to the programme budget for the biennium 2006–2007"[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

1. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General;[1]

2. *Endorses* the observations and recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions contained in its report;[2]

3. *Regrets* that the proposal to renovate the residence of the Secretary-General was not submitted as part of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006–2007;

4. *Approves* the renovation of the residence of the Secretary-General;

5. *Authorizes* the Secretary-General to enter into commitments up to an amount of 4,490,400 United States dollars under the programme budget for the biennium 2006–2007, comprising 202,500 dollars under section 1, Overall policymaking, direction and coordination, and 4,287,900 dollars under section 32, Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance, and to report on expenditures in the context of the second performance report for the biennium 2006–2007;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure, to the extent possible, that activities approved under section 32 of the programme budget for the biennium 2006–2007 are completed within the envisaged time schedule;

7. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that procurement processes related to the project are conducted in a transparent manner and in full compliance with its relevant resolutions on procurement reform;

[1] A/61/377.
[2] A/61/523.

8. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that targeted mitigation measures are put in place pursuant to established minimum operating security standards;

9. *Requests* the Secretary-General to expedite the action referred to in paragraph 2 of the report of the Advisory Committee.

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